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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 21, 2005. Applicants enclose a petition and check for \$120.00 to cover the fee for a one month extension of time. Applicants believe that no further petition or fee is required. However, if a further petition or fee is required, please consider this a conditional petition for any required extension of time and an authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1721.

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